

# Questionnaire testing in an austere economic climate

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#### **Overview**

Does pre-testing reduce survey costs
 Where? How? To what extent?

• Effectiveness of pre-testing Technique? Style? The future?

 Balance between effective pre-testing, quality & cost

Where do we draw the line?

## Reducing survey costs

- Respondent contact
  Response chasing
  Call handling
- Reduction in imputation & validation
- Preparation time before analysis

## Effectiveness of pre-testing techniques

- Effectiveness of different approaches to pretesting surveys
- Level of agreement across pre-testing techniques
- Impact of different pre-testing methods on survey cost
- Impact of pre-testing on the respondent

## Effective pre-testing, quality & cost

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Developing new techniques & skills for the future

What will pre-testing look like in the future?

#### **Discussion**

- How do we ensure that qualitative testing is sustainable through difficult economic times?
- How do we develop a fast, efficient and cost effective approach to questionnaire testing?
- How do we demonstrate such an approach to colleagues who may not appreciate the value of qualitative research?
- Balance between effective pre-testing,
  quality & cost Where do we draw the line?